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PATENT APPLICATION

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In re application of

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HUMAN p51 GENES AND GENE PRODUCTS THEREOF

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Commissioner for Patents Annual Commission, D.C. 20231

Sir:

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In response to the Office Action dated September 18, 2001, please amend the aboveidentified application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

At page 1, after the title, add:

-- The present application is the national stage under 35 U.S.C. § 371 of

PCT/JP99/01512, filed March 24, 1999. --

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 4, 9-15 and 18 without prejudice or disclaimer.

Please enter the following amended claims:

1. (Amended) An isolated DNA molecule coding for the following protein (a) or (b):

(a) a protein comprising amino acids 1-448 of SEQ ID NO: 1